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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

John H. Smith

Board of Selectmen

Milton P. Wood	Term Expires 1947
Roger B. Sawyer	Term Expires 1946
Oscar P. Little	Term Expires 1945

Town Clerk and Town Treasurer

Ruth Sawyer

Tax Collector

Harry B. Tuttle

Ballot Inspectors

Burton C. Pettengill	Flora Currier
Leslie H. Rockwell	Etta L. Nye

Supervisors of the Check List

Harry B. Tuttle	Frank Bailey
L. Edna Wright	

Constable

Henry L. Nye

Police Officers

Henry L. Nye, Chief of Police	
Carl Wilson (Dog Officer)	Jesse T. Fuller, Jr.
Benjamin W. Lake	Carl C. Wilson

Highway Agent

Burton C. Pettengill

Sexton
Burton C. Pettengill

Trustees of Trust Funds

Arthur H. Sawyer	Term Expires 1947
Benjamin O. Wood	Term Expires 1946
Oscar P. Little	Term Expires 1945

Library Trustees

Robert Hotchkiss	Term Expires 1947
Herbert N. Sawyer	Term Expires 1946
Gladys Dyke	Term Expires 1945

Auditors

Harlon C. Dyke	C. Julian Tuthill
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Health Officer

Henry L. Nye

Building Inspector

Ward W. Wright

Fire Department

Ward W. Wright, Chief
Telephone 255-2

Roger Sawyer	Clarence Kinney
Wilbur Moody	Robert Hotchkiss
Charles Senter	Milton Pressey
Leslie Rockwell	Bernard Toshach

Harold Robertson

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

Fred P. Wright	George H. Mason	Elmer E. Conley
John H. Smith	Burton C. Pettengill	

Field Drivers

Henry L. Nye

Fence Viewers

Oscar P. Little	Henry L. Nye
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TOWN OF ATKINSON**TOWN WARRANT****STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Atkinson, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Grange Hall, in said town on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose all Town Officers that are voted for by ballot and plurality vote.

Article 2. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 (eight hundred dollars) for the Town Officers' Salaries.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) for Town Officers' Expenses.

Article 5. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) for Election and Registration Expenses.

Article 6. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 (three hundred dollars) for rent of Grange Hall for use of Town and School purposes including Atkinson Academy.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for rent of Grange Hall for the ensuing year for community, recreational and educational meetings to be held under the following conditions: (a) no meeting to be over 4 hours duration; (b) meetings not to

exceed 3 times per month, except under special circumstances; (c) paid entertainments sponsored by the aforesaid groups to be charged for at the rate of \$2.00 per meeting to be paid by the groups to the Grange Hall Corporation; (d) all arrangements for meetings to be approved by the Selectmen and the Hall janitor; (e) the meetings to be properly chaperoned.

Article 8. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) for Police protection.

Article 9. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 (three hundred dollars) for Fire protection.

Article 10. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 (twenty-five dollars) for Health Department.

Article 11. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$15.00 (fifteen dollars) for Vital Statistics.

Article 12. To see of the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 (eight hundred dollars) for the maintenance of town highways, which will include graveling.

Article 13. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 (fifteen hundred dollars) for Snow Pathing.

Article 14. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$765.00 (seven hundred and sixty-five dollars) for Street lighting.

Article 15. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 (fifty dollars) for General Expenses of the Highway Department.

Article 16. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 (one hundred and fifty dollars) which includes the amount required by law for the Kimball Public Library.

Article 17. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 (one thousand dollars) for Town Poor.

Article 18. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 (one thousand dollars) for Old Age Assistance.

Article 19. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 (fifty dollars) for Aid to Soldiers and their families.

Article 20. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$60.00 (sixty dollars) for Memorial Day.

Article 21. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$20.00 (twenty dollars) for Parks and Playgrounds.

Article 22. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 (two hundred dollars) for Care of Cemetery.

Article 23. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 (one hundred and fifty dollars) this money to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to support United States membership in a general system of international cooperation, such as that proposed at the Dumbarton Oaks Conference, having police power to maintain the peace of the world.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to give the Selectmen the right to dispose of the following Town Property:

Two road machines, Hearse, Old Snow Plow.

Money from these sales to be used toward buying the new snow blade.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to hire such sums of money as the Town will need in Anticipation of Taxes.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to distribute the blank inventories at the time they examine and appraise the property to be taxed.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to give a discount on the present year's taxes of two percent (2%) if paid before August 1, 1945.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 (three thousand dollars) to resurface

and tar Dow Avenue to be paid for in three yearly payments, one thousand dollars to be raised this year.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 (three hundred dollars) as part payment for the new fire equipment to Note number 74.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to accept State Aid construction of Class V road and will raise and appropriate for said purpose the sum of \$192.31 (one hundred and ninety-two dollars and thirty-one cents.)

Article 32. To see what action the town will take in regard to the purchase of a war memorial and raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 (three hundred dollars) for same.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 (two hundred dollars) for further improvements on Fire House.

Article 34. To hear the report of Town Officers and committees, act on same and transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 26th day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

MILTON P. WOOD,
OSCAR P. LITTLE,
ROGER B. SAWYER,

Selectmen of Atkinson, N. H.

ATTEST—A true copy of Warrant:

RUTH L. SAWYER,

Town Clerk.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ATKINSON, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1945 to December 31, 1945, compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year February 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944.

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1944	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1945
From State:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$217.45	\$217.45
Railroad Tax	7.91	7.91
Savings Bank Tax	18.67	18.67
For Fighting Forest Fires	58.13	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	30.06	20.00
Dog Licenses	229.00	220.00
Income from Municipally owned Utilities:		
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	354.77	350.00
Sale of Town Property acquired by Tax Deeds	100.00	
Cemetery Lots and Duplicate Deed	10.40	
Tax Sales Redeemed, Plus Interest and cost	1,054.78	500.00
Property and Poll Taxes, Previous year collected	269.31	
Telephone	2.00	
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:		
(State Purpose of each Issue)		
Rec. from George Wason for Maple avenue construction	100.00	

Long Term Notes	3,000.00
†Cash Surplus	6,837.12
From Local Taxes Other Than	
Property Taxes:	
Special Polls	606.00
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	386.00
	386.00
Total Revenues from all Sources	
Except Property Taxes	\$13,281.80 \$1,720.03
*Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes	
	\$16,428.83 \$17,480.77
Total Revenues	\$29,710.63 \$19,200.80

*Total estimated "Revenues from All Sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total estimated "Expenditures" should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes."

†Cash Surplus equals Excess of actual Cash on Hand at close of fiscal year over Current Liabilities, i.e., Balance of Appropriation due School District, Outstanding Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes and Accounts Payable.

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

Current Maintenance Expenses:

	Actual Expendi- tures Previous Year 1944	Estimated Expendi- tures Ensuing Year 1945
General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$807.20	\$800.00
Town Officers' Expenses	447.53	500.00
Election and Registration Expenses	124.00	100.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	400.00	400.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department	44.90	100.00
Fire Department	297.20	300.00
Health:		
Health Department, including hospitals		25.00
Vital Statistics	8.90	12.00
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance: Summer	813.85	800.00
Town Maintenance: Winter	440.24	1,500.00
Street Lighting	676.47	676.47
General Expenses of Highway Department	27.15	50.00
Town Road—T.R.A.	114.67	
Selectmen Special	82.96	150.00
Libraries:	141.57	150.00
Public Welfare:		
Town Poor	791.55	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,161.47	1,000.00
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	79.73	60.00
Aid to Soldiers and their families	27.35	50.00

Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts 20.00 20.00

Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries 203.25 200.00

Damages and Legal Expenses 26.20

Interest:

Abatements \$20.00, Refunds \$74.05 94.05

On Long Term Notes 48.75

Highways and Bridges:

Town Construction 4,690.46 1,000.00

New Lands and Buildings, Fire House 2,194.04 200.00

Payment on Principal of Debt:

Long Term Notes 300.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

County Taxes 1,672.33 1,672.33

Payments to School Districts 6,205.60 8,135.00

Total Expenditures \$21,641.42 \$19,200.80

VALUATION

Land and Buildings	\$476,640.00
Growing Wood and Timber	1,000.00
Power lines	11,000.00
Horses (18)	1,450.00
Mules (2)	100.00
Cows (197)	24,225.00
Other Neat Stock (5)	375.00
Sheep (15)	225.00
Hogs (5)	85.00
Fowles (5,200)	5,200.00
Tractor (2)	800.00
Wood and Lumber	180.00
Stock in Trade	150.00
Flowage rights	2,000.00
 Total Valuation	 \$523,430.00
Soldier's Exemptions	7,870.00
 Grand Total Less Exemptions	 \$515,560.00

APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED FOR 1944

Town Officers' Salaries	\$800.00
Town Officers' Expenses	500.00
Election and Registration	120.00
Town Hall expenses	400.00
Police Department	100.00
Fire Department	300.00
Health Department	25.00
Vital Statistics	12.00
Snow Pathing	750.00
Town Maintenance	800.00
Town Construction	1,000.00
Street Lighting	765.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	50.00
Selectmen Special	150.00
Soldiers' Aid	50.00
Fire Department note (on Truck)	300.00
Fire House Note	1,000.00
Libraries	150.00
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00
Town Poor	1,000.00
Memorial Day	35.00
Parks and Playgrounds	20.00
Cemeteries	200.00
County Tax	1,672.33
School Tax	6,117.38

\$17,316.71

Less Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$216.98
Railroad Tax	8.19
Savings Bank Tax	35.95
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	400.00

\$1,077.12

\$16,239.59

Plus Overlay	773.89
	\$17,013.48
Taxes committed to Collector:	
Property Taxes	\$17,013.48
Regular Polls	416.00
	\$17,429.48
Special Polls	651.00
	\$18,080.48
Number of inventories sent out	439
Number of inventories returned	49

SCHEDELE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Hall Equipment	\$80.00
Library Land and Buildings	4,000.00
Library Equipment	1,500.00
Highway Dept. Equipment	800.00
Fire Equipment	2,500.00
Fire House	2,500.00

Property Acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds

J. H. Parker, 7 acres	
Adjt. A. A. Hooker	\$60.00
J. H. Parker, 8 Acres	
Adjt. A. A. Hooker	75.00
James C. Merrill Est.,	
1 Acre, East Road	25.00
Clara J. Hall	
1 Acre, Pope Road	10.00

DETAILED STATEMENT

Town Officers' Salaries

Harlow C. Dyke, Auditor	\$15.00
C. Julian Tuthill, Auditor	15.00
Harry B. Tuttle, Tax Collector	177.20
Ruth Sawyer, Town Clerk and Town Treasurer	125.00
Milton P. Wood, Selectman	200.00
Roger B. Sawyer, Selectman	125.00
Oscar P. Little, Selectman	125.00
Carl Wilson, Dog Officer	25.00
	\$807.20

Town Officers' Expenses

New England Telephone	\$18.60
Harry B. Tuttle, Expenses	21.00
New Hampshire Collector's Association	2.00
Ruth Sawyer	56.75
Record Pub. Co., Town Reports	133.30
Oscar P. Little, Tax meetings	12.00
Milton P. Wood, Telephone, Tax meetings, Mileage, Supplies	71.15
Grinnell & Grinnell, Charge for Services	10.00
Edson & Eastman, Supplies	10.23
Arthur Sawyer, Bonding Town Officers	80.00
Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	8.50
Braley & Walker, Dog Tags	2.25
C. J. Tuthill, Expenses	.48
Rush-A-Service, Supplies	4.65
Frank Bailey, Expenses	8.00
Carl Wilson, Expenses	2.62
Roger Sawyer, Tax meeting	6.00
	\$447.53

Election and Registration

John Smith, Moderator	
March 9, 1943	\$5.00

March, July, November 1944	15.00
April 25, Special for Fireman	3.00

Supervisors of the Check List

Harry B. Tuttle	15.00
Frank Bailey	15.00
L. Edna Wright	15.00

Ballot Inspectors

Etta Nye, March, July, November	12.00
Eunice Wilson, July	4.00
Leslie Rockwell, March, November	8.00
Burton C. Pettengill, March, July, November	12.00
Flora Currier, March, July, November	12.00
Record Pub. Co.	8.00
	\$124.00

Town Hall Expenses

Rent of Grange Hall	\$400.00
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Police Department

Henry L. Nye	\$44.90
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Health Department

No Expenses	
Vital Statistics	\$8.90
John Green, legal expenses	11.20
	\$20.10
Soldiers' Aid	\$27.35
Damage by Dog	\$15.00

Memorial Day

Music	\$10.00
Tonic	9.88
Ice Cream	8.90
Wreaths	5.00
Ice	1.00
Flags	9.00
Lawn	1.50
	\$45.28
Service Flag	\$30.95
Rope for Flag	3.50
	\$34.45

Fire Department

Arthur Platt, watching fire	\$2.50
K. H. Duston, Oil for Heat	42.86
Clarence Kinney, Rent, Parts for Truck, Oil Drum	69.50
H. N. Sawyer & Sons, Gas	3.00
Motor Car Supply Co.	6.44
Meredith Reynolds, watching fire	2.50
Don Webster, Lettering Fire Truck	12.00
Haverhill Hardware, Supplies	9.17
Ward Wright, Forest Fires	128.50
Joseph Frost, Gas	2.03
Clifford Sawyer, Insurance	10.83
Tom's Service Station, Gas	3.76
State of New Hampshire, Nozzles	1.20
Walnut Square Station, Gas	2.91

	\$297.20

Fire House

R. E. Webber, Shovel and Truck	\$60.00
George Mason, Mason work, Labor	368.00
D. D. Chase Lumber Co.	295.99
W. S. Goodrich Inc., Water truck	29.00
Hayford & Kimball, Lumber and Supplies	796.42
Elwin Collins, Truck	6.00
Murray & Dugdale, Thimbles	.82
H. W. True, Labor	254.69
Hector Joden and Helper, Cement work	33.00
R. S. Follansbee, Truck	8.00
R. J. Rooney, Truck	14.00
F. E. Howard	5.11
W. E. Hutton, Electric work	80.34
Joe's Auction House, oil stove	39.00
Meredith Reynolds, Labor	2.75
Fred Pitkin, Labor	3.00
Forrest Currier, Labor	2.50
Haverhill Hardware, Supplies	63.42
Ward Wright, Labor	114.00
Robert Hotchkiss, Hauling Sand	18.00

	\$2,194.04

Old Age Assistance

State of New Hampshire, Town Share (25%)	\$1,161.47
Town Poor	\$791.55

Street Lighting

Exeter and Hampton Electric Co.	676.47
Abatements Refunded	20.00
Payments of Temporary Loans	None

Interest

First National Bank, Derry	\$48.75
Selectmen Special	82.96
Parks and Playgrounds	20.00
Cemeteries	203.25

Schools

Atkinson School District	\$6,205.60
Harry Tuttle	
John Down Taxes, 1940, 1941, 1942	74.05
T. R. A.	114.67

General Expenses of Highway Department

Frank Portor	\$7.00
R. C. Hazelton Co.	20.15
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	\$27.15

Libraries

Sceva Speare Co.	\$86.64
Cross Book Shop	43.93
Ann Dewhirst	11.00
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	\$141.57

Town Maintenance

Summer	\$813.85
Winter	440.24

New Construction

Maple Avenue and Poor's Hill	\$4,690.46
County Tax	\$1,672.33
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The Selectmen of the Town of Atkinson, N. H., wish to express their thanks to Mr. George M. Wason of Haverhill, Mass.,

for his gift of \$100., first payment towards each \$1000.00 spent on Maple Avenue for Permanent Road Construction.

The Town and the Atkinson Fire Company are very grateful also to Mr. Wason for his kindness in paying for the two Roll-A-Way doors and the labor of hanging them. These doors are a great addition to the appearance and the convenience of the New Fire Engine House.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Cash on hand February 1, 1944	\$6,837.12
Notes First National Bank No. 77, No. 78, No. 79, each \$1000.00	3,000.00
State's share of Forest Fire Expense	58.13
Sale of Cemetery lots	10.00
Duplicate Cemetery deed	.40
Telephone toll calls	2.20
Auto Permits, 175 issued	354.77
Dog licenses	229.00
George M. Wason, for road construction on Maple Avenue	100.00
Tax Collector, H. B. Tuttle:	
1940 Poll	\$2.00
1943 Poll	56.00
1943 Property	211.31
1944 Poll	992.00
1944 Property	16,428.83

	\$17,690.14
Interest on Taxes	
1943	\$8.50
1944	21.56

	\$30.06
Redeemed Taxes	
1940	\$5.00
1941	34.30
1942	33.90
1942	165.12
1943	200.13
1939	297.78
1938	301.19

	\$1,037.42

Interest on Redeemed Taxes		
1942	\$8.44	
1943	7.36	

		\$15.80
Notify Mortgagee		
1942	\$.71	
1940-42 charges	.85	

		\$1.56
State of New Hampshire		
Railroad tax	\$7.91	
Savings Bank Tax	18.67	
Interest and Dividends Tax	217.45	

		\$244.03
Sale of Property at Island Pond		100.00

Total Receipts	\$29,710.63	
Less Selectmen's Orders	21,641.42	

Cash on hand December 31, 1944	\$8,069.21	

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. SAWYER, Town Treasurer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT*Assets*

Cash on hand December 1, 1944		\$8,069.21
Uncollected Taxes		
1941	\$21.44	
1942	4.00	
1943	6.00	
1944	716.35	
	—————	
Unredeemed Tax Sales	\$1,076.12	1,076.12
	—————	
Total		\$9,893.12

Liabilities

Due Atkinson School District		
from appropriation	\$4,706.04	
Due Atkinson School District		
from Dog tax	226.80	
	—————	
		\$4,932.84

Outstanding Notes

No. 73, due January 30, 1945,		
Fire Equipment	\$300.00	
No. 74, due January 30, 1946,		
Fire Equipment	300.00	
No. 75, due January 30, 1947,		
Fire Equipment	300.00	
	—————	
		\$900.00
No. 77, due April 20, 1946,		
Maple Ave. and Poor's Hill	\$1000.00	
No. 78, due April 20, 1947		
Maple Ave. and Poor's Hill	1000.00	
No. 79, due April 20, 1948		
Maple Ave. and Poor's Hill	1000.00	
	—————	
		\$3,000.00
First National Bank, Derry, N. H.	Total	\$3,900.00

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. SAWYER, Town Clerk and Treasurer

REPORT OF HARRY B. TUTTLE
TAX COLLECTOR

1940 Warrant

Uncollected January 31, 1944	\$2.00
Collected and paid Treasurer	2.00

1941 Warrant

Uncollected January 31, 1944	\$23.44
Collected and paid Treasurer	\$2.00
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1944	21.44
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1942 Warrant

Uncollected January 31, 1944	\$37.70
Collected and paid Treasurer	4.00
Abated	29.70
Uncollected, Dec. 31, 1944	4.00
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1943 Warrant

Uncollected January 31, 1944	\$269.31
Supplementary Tax	2.00
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Collected and paid Treasurer	\$261.31
Abated	4.00
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1944	6.00
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Interest collected and paid Treasurer	\$8.50
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1944 Warrant

Property Taxes	\$17,193.51
Supplementary Assessment	52.80
208 Regular Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	416.00
217 Special Poll Taxes @ \$3.00	651.00
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	\$18,313.31

Collected and paid Treasurer				
Property Taxes		\$16,428.83		
193 Regular Poll Taxes		386.00		
202 Special Poll Taxes		606.00		
Discounts		113.53		
Abatements		62.60		
Uncollected, Dec. 31, 1944				
Property Taxes		641.35		
Poll Taxes		75.00		
		—————		
			\$18,313.31	
Interest collected and paid Treasurer			\$21.56	

Tax Sales Account

Dr.

	1943	1942	1941	Previous Years
Taxes sold to Town	\$509.68	\$485.22	\$53.64	\$959.08
Interest	7.36	18.39		125.70
Redemption Costs		.71		
	—————	—————	—————	—————
	\$517.04	\$504.32	\$53.64	\$1,084.78

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	1943	1942	1941	Previous Years
Remittance to Treasurer	\$207.49	\$208.17	\$34.30	\$603.29
Deeded to Town	10.13	10.08	10.20	
Unredeemed, Dec. 31, 1944	299.42	286.07	9.14	481.49
	—————	—————	—————	—————
	\$517.04	\$504.32	\$53.64	\$1,084.78

HARRY B. TUTTLE,

Tax Collector

REPORT OF AUDITORS

Atkinson, N. H., Feb. 20, 1945.

This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Trustees of Trust Funds and Trustees of "Todd Poor Fund" for the year ending December 31, 1944, and find them correctly cast with proper vouchers.

HARLON C. DYKE,
C. JULIAN TUTHILL,

Auditors.

WILLIAM C. TODD FUND

Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1944	\$1,040.55
Interest October 16, 1944	7.80
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	\$1,048.35
Paid Mrs. Given	20.00
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	\$1,028.35
Interest Dec. 29, 1944	7.71
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Balance on Books Dec. 31, 1944	\$1,036.06

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF ATKINSON, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1944

TRUST FUNDS—PURPOSE OF CREATION
These Funds are all Cemetery Funds

Date of Creation	HOW INVESTED		Amount of Principal of Begimining of Year	Rate of Interest of Begimining of Year	Income of Begimining of Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at Year End of Year
	Principle Invested	Interest Invested					
1938 May 16	D. E. and Cora I. Bartlett Cemetery Fund, Donor, Cora I. Bartlett	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	\$200.00	2½	\$.36	\$4.52	\$4.52
1934 Jan. 29	Elizabeth C. Clark Cemetery Fund Donor, Susan M. Clark	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	1,000.00	2½	19.15	23.05	6.00
1936 Sept. 24	J. M. Goodrich Cemetery Fund Donor, J. M. Goodrich	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	150.00	2½	9.31	3.60	3.00
1939 Aug. 19	Emma F. Greenough Cemetery Fund Donor, Emma F. Greenough	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	2½	.36	2.26	2.26
1933 May 14	Paul and Elizabeth Heald Cemetery Fund, Donor, John Heald	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	2½	22.44	5.03	3.00
1908 Mar. 16	Sarah E. Knight Cemetery Fund Donor, Sarah E. Knight	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	2½	73.30	3.91	3.00
1935 Dec. 16	Mary G. Marble Cemetery Fund, Donor, Lawrence Y. W. C. A.	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	2½	21.89	5.00	3.00
1937 June 1	Sawyer and Cross Cemetery Fund Donors, Arthur H. Sawyer, Clifford Sawyer, E. E. Sawyer, Mary Cross, Herbert N. Sawyer	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	2½	4.52	4.52	

1928	Nov. 27	William B. Thomas Cemetery Fund Donor, William B. Thomas	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	2½	14.45	2.58	3.00	14.03
1904	July 14	Todd Cemetery Fund Donor William C. Todd	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	250.00	2½	283.30	12.05	6.00	289.35
1943	May 17	Geo. M. Wason Cemetery Fund Donor, Geo. M. Wason	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	300.00	2½	11.26	6.00	5.26	
1927	June 30	Susan E. Page Cemetery Fund Donor, Susan E. Page	Manchester Sav. Bank	400.00	2½	4.15	10.16	12.00	2.31
1944	May 22	Samuel Smith Cemetery Fund Estate Mary Breman	Manchester Sav. Bank	100.00	2½	1.46	—	—	1.46
1930	July 7	Moses B. Stevens Cemetery Fund Donors, Minnie E. Emerson and Frank E. Stevens	Manchester Sav. Bank	200.00	2½	9.79	5.26	6.00	9.05
1941	May 5	Tilton and Gentis Cemetery Fund Donors, Susie Freke and Kenneth Gentis	Manchester Sav. Bank	150.00	2½	3.86	3.85	3.00	4.71
1912	Oct. 16	Mary M. Tolman Cemetery Fund Donor, Mary M. Tolman	Manchester Sav. Bank	100.00	2½	42.09	3.57	3.00	42.66
1912	Aug. 1	Caroline Upton Cemetery Fund Donor, Caroline Upton	Manchester Sav. Bank	100.00	2½	—	2.51	2.51	2
		Totals							\$538.23
									\$504.45 \$104.59 \$70.81

Trustees.

ARTHUR H. SAWYER,
OSCAR P. LITTLE,
BENJ. O. WOOD,

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Kimball Public Library:

Until January 1 the library has been opened as in previous years. The hours being from 12 to 5 o'clock on Monday, 12 to 1 o'clock on Friday during the school year and as usual each Saturday from 2 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon.

The hours are now from 2 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon on Friday and from 2 to 6 o'clock on Saturday.

The largest number of books taken out during the year has been 2308, the largest in one day was 37.

Respectfully Submitted,

BEATRICE E. REYNOLDS

Librarian

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL BOARD

of the

TOWN OF ATKINSON, N. H.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE
TOWN OF ATKINSON, N. H.

Sources of Revenue

Balance on hand, July 1, 1943	\$196.91
State of New Hampshire, State Aid	46.66
Town of Atkinson, Appropriation	1,000.00
Town of Atkinson, Appropriation	500.00
Town of Atkinson, Appropriation	1,000.00
State of New Hampshire, State Aid	913.53
Red Cross, Dental Clinic	15.00
Town of Atkinson, Dog Tax	220.40
Town of Atkinson, Appropriation	1,000.00
Town of Atkinson, Appropriation	1,000.00
Town of Atkinson, Appropriation	1,000.00
Town of Atkinson, Appropriation	300.00
 Total Receipts During Year	 \$7,192.50

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Salaries of District Officers	\$180.00
Superintendent's excess salary	165.85
Truant officers and school census	10.00
Expenses of administration	73.39
Principals' and teachers' salaries	2,448.82
Text books	69.12
Scholars' supplies	89.79
Flags and appurtenances	3.30
Other expenses of instruction	11.90
Janitor service	74.00
Fuel	120.76
Water, light, janitor's supplies	29.32
Minor repairs and expenses	52.08
Medical inspection, Health supervision	101.64

Transportation of pupils	1,350.00
High school and academy tuition	1,812.32
Other special activities	416.07
Tax for state wide supervision (\$2. per capita)	174.00
 Total Payments During Year	 \$7,182.36

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

No. 1—Salaries of District Officers:

Mabel Sawyer	\$5.00
Harlon C. Dyke	5.00
Thomas C. Duffey	25.00
Ernest R. Scott	25.00
Beatrice E. Reynolds	100.00
L. Edna Wright	20.00
	 \$180.00

No. 2—Superintendent's Excess Salary:

Lena M. Lloyd, Treasurer	\$165.85
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No. 3—School Census:

Thomas C. Duffey	\$10.00
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No. 4—Expenses of Administration:

Lena M. Lloyd, Treasurer	\$30.00
W. J. Nelson, travel, phone calls, postage	21.72
World Book Co.	1.44
Edson C. Eastman Co. (1000) vouchers	13.23
L. Edna Wright, envelopes	2.00
Arthur H. Sawyer	5.00
	 \$73.39

No. 5—Principals' and Teachers' Salaries:

Eva W. Thompson	\$206.30
Stella Olsen	921.20
Theresa Tarrant	289.92
Beatrice Reynolds	91.28

Myra Huffman	44.00
Elizabeth McAnally	620.40
Beatrice Hutcheson	8.80
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	\$2,181.90
No. 6—Text Books:	
Allyn & Bacon	\$.99
John C. Winston Co.	5.61
Ginn & Co.	23.24
Webster Publishing Co.	1.17
Edward E. Babb Co.	3.30
World Book Co.	6.02
Scott, Foresman Co.	.60
L. W. Singer Co.	5.42
The MacMillan Co.	8.32
Iroquois Publishing Co.	14.45
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	\$69.12
No. 7—Scholars Supplies	
Webster Publishing Co.	\$.24
J. L. Hammett Co.	16.70
Peever Drug Co.	3.10
Edward E. Babb Co.	52.13
World Book Co.	17.62
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	\$89.79
No. 8—Flags and Appurtenances:	
Edward E. Babb	\$3.30
No. 9—Other Expenses of Instruction:	
Webster Publishing Co.	\$.76
Edward E. Babb Co.	.80
World Book Co. (tests)	4.92
Edson Eastman, Pads for Treasurer report	1.10
Rush-a-Service Ballots	4.32
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	\$11.90
No. 10—Janitor's Service	
Carl Wilson	\$74.00

No. 11—Fuel:		
Haverhill Coal Supply Co., 4 tons		\$62.76
L. E. Duston, 3½ cords wood		56.50
Carl Wilson, putting in wood		1.50

		\$120.76
No. 12—Water, Light and Janitor Supplies:		
Exeter Hampton Electric Co.		\$18.56
Atkinson Academy, one-half electric bill		9.06

		\$27.62
No. 13—Minor Repairs and Expenses:		
Albert Hunkins, cleaning clock		\$3.00
Edward E. Babb Co.		.60
Charles Steele, repair on light		2.25
Murray & Dugdale, repair on stove		17.91
Ward Wright, cleaning schools		28.32

		\$52.08
No. 14—Medical Inspection:		
Lena M. Lloyd, Treas., nurse salary		\$101.64
No. 15—Transportation of Pupils:		
Ward W. Wright		\$1,215.00
No. 16—High School and Academy Tuition:		
Atkinson Academy		\$1,722.32
Sanborn Academy		90.00

		\$1,812.32
No. 18—Other Special Activities:		
Atkinson Academy, rent		\$400.00
Ralph Pickard, milk		11.64
Frank Bailey, sugar, oil, cocoa		3.18
Haverhill Rubber Co.		1.25

		\$416.07
No. 26—Per Capita Tax:		
F. Gordon Kimball, State Treasurer		\$174.00

No. 27—Victory Tax:		
Internal Revenue		\$11.28
No. 28—Withholding Tax		
Internal Revenue		\$255.64

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1944

Cash on hand June 30, 1943 (Treasurer's bank balance)	\$196.91
Received from selectmen, appropriations for current year	\$4,766.57
Balance of previous appropriation	1,033.43
Dog Tax	220.40
Received from State Treasurer (State Aid)	960.19
Received from all other sources	15.00
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	\$6,995.59
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year (Balance and receipts)	\$7,192.50
Less School Board orders paid	7,182.36
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1944 (Treasurer's bank balance)	\$10.14

L. EDNA WRIGHT,

District Treasurer.

June 30, 1944.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

(Required by the State Board of Education from all
State Aided Districts)

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Atkinson, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1944 and find them correct in all respects.

HARLON C. DYKE,
MABEL E. SAWYER,

Auditors.

July 13, 1944.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Atkinson qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grange Hall in said district on the 15th day of March, 1945, at seven o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.
9. To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Atkinson this first day of February, 1945.

BEATRICE E. REYNOLDS,
THOMAS C. DUFFEY,
ERNEST R. SCOTT,

School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

BEATRICE E. REYNOLDS,
THOMAS C. DUFFEY,
ERNEST R. SCOTT,

School Board.

The Polls will be open to vote for District Officers from 7:00 to 8:00 P. M.

The other articles of the Warrant will be taken up at 8:00 o'clock.

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1945-1946

School District of Atkinson.

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1945.

Detailed Statement of Expenditures

**Elementary
Schools

*Support of Schools:

Teachers' Salaries	\$3,025.00
Text Books	90.00
Scholars' Supplies	105.00
Flags and Appurtenances	10.00
Other Expenses of Instruction	20.00
Janitor Service	144.00
Fuel	125.00
Water, Light, Janitors' Supplies	40.00
Minor Repairs and Expenses	150.00

Health Supervision (Med. Ins.)	130.00
Transportation of Pupils	1,450.00
Other Special Activities	430.00
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	\$5,719.00

Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of District Officers (fixed by dist.)	\$180.00
Truant Officer and School Census (fixed by dist.)	10.00
Payment of Tuition in High schools and Academies (Estimated by Board)	2,500.00
Superintendent's Excess Salary (fixed by Supervisory Union)	177.00
Per Capita Tax (reported by State Treasurer)	164.00
Other Obligations	85.00
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Total Amount Required to Meet School Board's Budget	\$3,116.00
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	\$8,835.00

Estimated Income of District

State Aid (December 1945 Allotment)	\$600.00
Dog Tax (Estimate)*	100.00
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Deduct Total Estimated Income (Not Raised by Taxation)	\$700.00
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Assessment Required to Balance School Board's Budget	\$8,135.00
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*\$3.50 per \$1000 of taxable inventory is minimum required by law in addition to per capita tax and salaries of district officers.

**\$5 per \$1000 of equalized valuation must be raised for elementary schools to qualify for state aid.

BEATRICE E. REYNOLDS,
THOMAS C. DUFFEY,
ERNEST R. SCOTT,

School Board.

Atkinson, N. H.
January 22, 1945.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Atkinson:

It is with pleasure that I submit my annual report as Superintendent of Schools. This report deals with the Atkinson Schools for the school year July 1, 1943 to June 30, 1944. The School Nurse and the Supervisor of Music have given me brief reports of their work; which I transmit herewith, with the hope that they will be carefully read by many others besides the School Board.

As in the past, I am presenting much information about our schools in the form of statistics which, if carefully read in conjunction with other information furnished by the District Treasurer and by the School Board in their reports, will give a clear picture of the size, cost, and many other details of the schools.

Mrs. Elizabeth McAnally resigned her position as teacher in the primary room at Christmas time. The vacancy was filled by the appointment of Mrs. Alice Scott. Vacancies in the future will be difficult to fill, since almost no men and a greatly reduced number of women are being prepared for teaching at teacher's colleges. We as citizens owe our gratitude to the teachers who have remained loyal to their profession of teaching. These teachers are protecting our social structure from danger. What our civilization will be tomorrow, depends in large measure upon giving the right kind of training to the children of today.

From that viewpoint of administration the classroom teacher becomes a most vital cog in the wheels of education. Anything which obtains, keeps and gives consideration to a good teaching staff is money, time, and effort spent to the best advantage. The pupils and through them, the parents and society itself are the direct as well as the ultimate gainers. The taxpayers of Atkinson have wisely provided the increases in salaries recommended in the past and I hope the proposals of this year will likewise be adopted.

The enrollment last year, as will be seen by the table at the end of the report was 65 as compared with 60 the year before. The school attendance averaged 91.78 percent of the membership

as compared with the state average of 93.12 percent.

Six boys and girls completed the work of the eighth grade last June. All of these entered the Academy this year.

Sometime during the year and preferably about the middle, it is necessary to check the progress made by the different grades. That can most accurately be done by using standard tests to measure our accomplishment. Such a testing program is used each year in grades one to eight inclusive and helps us to know more definitely the progress made. The results of these tests can be of great assistance as we attempt to meet the needs of every child.

Teachers and pupils have co-operated in a commendable manner to meet the increased demands of war and have aimed to prepare the students for the peace which will follow. Demands for assistance in the war effort have been efficiently and cheerfully met. These include selling war stamps each week, Red Cross activity, paper salvage, and gathering milkweed pods. The children gathered 20 bushel bags of pods which was sold to our government for use in making life preservers. The floss is being used to replace Kapok which can no longer be obtained from the South Pacific.

Since the business of education is the most important single undertaking of any community, it is highly desirable that pupils get the most out of the public investment in their future. Loss of school time causes corresponding loss to the individual because make-up work is seldom as valuable as work done in class and in the regular course of events. We ought not to allow unnecessary absence to rob a child of his full educational opportunity. Furthermore both absence and tardiness strongly shape a pupil's attitude towards his school. They also are a powerful influence in forming habits that will be carried into adult life. Mrs. Soule, School Nurse, has been very active in investigating problems of illness.

In conclusion I wish to express my appreciation for the fine co-operation and support of the School Board, townspeople, parents, teachers, and pupils during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. NELSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1944

SCHOOL	Boys	Girls	Total	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance	Total Tardiness	Tardiness Per Pupil
Academy	8	10	18	16.85	15.21	90.27	21	1.37
Atkinson Grammar Grades 5-8	16	16	32	28.28	26.37	93.24	26	.81
Atkinson Primary Grades 1-4	19	14	33	26.46	23.87	90.21	44	1.33
Totals	43	40	83	71.59	65.45	91.42	91	1.09
State Average for 1943-44						93.12		

Visits to School by:

Superintendent	46
School Board Members	5
Citizens	24
Total Registration	65
Registered elsewhere previously	5

Unrepeated registration:

Boys	32
Girls	28
	— 60

Average Attendance	65.45
Average Absence	2.04
Average Membership	71.59
Percent of Attendance	91.42
Not absent nor tardy	2
Cases of Tardiness	91

Days that schools were in session:

Academy	180
Elementary	175

ATKINSON
LIST OF TEACHERS 1944-1945

Atkinson Academy

Harlon C. Dyke, Headmaster
Mrs. Harlon C. Dyke, Assistant Headmaster

Elementary Schools

Mrs. Stella M. Olsen, Center, Grades 5-8
Mrs. Elizabeth McAnally, Center, Grades 1-4
Mrs. Eva W. Thompson, Music Supervisor
Mrs. Jessie Soule, R. N., Union School Nurse

SCHOOL CALENDAR

(As adopted by the School Board of Atkinson for 1944-1945)

Schools open	September 6
State Teachers' Convention	October 19 and 20
Armistice Day	November 11 (Saturday)
Thanksgiving Recess	November 23 and 24
Schools open	November 27 (Monday)
Schools close	December 22 (Friday)

Winter Recess

Schools open	January 2 (Tuesday)
Schools close	February 16 (Friday)

Midwinter Recess

Schools open	February 26 (Monday)
Schools close	April 13 (Friday)

Spring Recess

Schools open	April 23 (Monday)
Memorial Day, schools closed	May 30 (Wednesday)
Schools close	Elementary schools close after 175 days of school.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To Mr. William J. Nelson, Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby submit my annual report as Supervisor of Music in the Atkinson Schools.

“Sing Along” a book for upper grades from The World of Music was added at the beginning of the school year. The World of Music is a new and attractive course, which deals with music problems through charming song material.

In the annual reports I have more than once given the aims of the work in detail; this year I will give a quotation from an outline of our series of text books; we seek "to develop power and enthusiasm in participation and enjoyment in listening."

Hollywood Extra an operetta by Charles Wakefield Cadman was presented by the students of the Academy assisted by the Grammar School pupils in February.

For your co-operation and that of the teachers, I am most grateful.

Respectfully submitted,
EVA W. THOMPSON.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To Mr. W. J. Nelson, Superintendent of Schools:

Number of pupils examined	79
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Notifications of all defects found were sent home.

Schools visited thirty-eight times

Number of visits to homes, follow up work	49
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Number of pupils defective vision	13
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Receiving treatment or corrected	9
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Number of pupils defective teeth	27
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Corrected	18
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Number of pupils with enlarged tonsils	5
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Corrected	4
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Glasses provided for one pupil

Children were weighed several times during the year.

Records kept on charts provided.

One pupil taken to Balch Clinic, Manchester.

One pupil taken to Dr. Tower's office, Plaistow.

Cases of Communicable Diseases:

Chicken Pox	10	Scarlet Fever	1
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Mumps	3	Pediculosis	4
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Skin Disease	2
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Respectfully submitted,

JESSIE REBECCA SOULE, R. N.

Union No. 55

Atkinson, Salem, Plaistow,

Hampstead, Newton.

VITAL STATISTICS

Registered in Town of Atkinson, N. H., for the year 1944.

Marriages

July 4, 1944. Almas Simard of Atkinson, N. H. and Marguerite Noyes Merrill of Atkinson, N. H. Parents: Francis Simard and Azilda Cloutier of Lawrence, Mass., and Asaac S. Noyes and Maria J. A. Hart of Atkinson, N. H. Married by Arthur Hurn, Clergyman of Plaistow, N. H.

October 15, 1944. John Joseph Gately of Merrimac, Mass. and Phyllis Irene Ashford of Atkinson, N. H. Parents: John Joseph Gately and Rose F. Short of Merrimac, Mass., and George William Ashford and Bernice Katherine Ricker of Atkinson, N. H. Married by C. Julian Tuthill, Congregational Minister of Atkinson, N. H.

Births

February 15, 1944. Richard Benjamin Wood.

Parents: Richard G. Wood and Margaret E. (Hines) Wood of Atkinson, N. H.

March 27, 1944. Donald Robertson.

Parents: Harold G. Robertson and Florrie (Moncaster) Robertson of Atkinson, N. H.

March 31, 1944. Jean Carole Senter.

Parents: Charles W. Senter and Effie Frances (Quimby) Senter of Atkinson, N. H.

August 27, 1944. Mary Ann Devlin.

Parents: Frank E. Devlin and Thelma (Platt) Devlin of Atkinson, N. H.

September 22, 1944. Evelyn M. Bascio.

Parents: Anthony Bascio and Josephine C. (Sullivan) Bascio of Atkinson, N. H.

September 12, 1944. Wilton Douglas Painten.

Parents: Arthur E. Painten and Mary B. (MacLean) Painten of Atkinson, N. H.

October 3, 1944. Warren Arthur Young.

Parents: Wilfred A. Young and Iola B. (Conley) Young of Atkinson, N. H.

November 27, 1944. Marjorie Alice Toshach.

Parents: Bernard A. Toshach and Bessie (Foster) Toshach of Atkinson, N. H.

December 8, 1944. Sandra Ann Nash.

Parents: Fred T. Nash and Ann A. (Doerson) Nash of Atkinson, N. H.

December 13, 1944. Bradley Clayton Sawyer.

Parents: Roger B. Sawyer and Evelyn (Jones) Sawyer of Atkinson, N. H.

Deaths

January 1, 1944. Angus H. Hanning, age 83 years, 3 months, 4 days at Atkinson, N. H.

Parents: Manuel Hanning and Mary MacDonald.

April 21, 1944. Nellie F. Hall, age 84 years, 2 months, 21 days at Atkinson, N. H.

Parents: Gideon W. Conley and Sarah Chase.

June 25, 1944. Leonhard Doersam, age 67 years, 11 months at Atkinson, N. H.

Parents: Leonhard Doersam and Thaiele.

August 9, 1944. Yevkine Chorlian, age 57 years, 19 days at Atkinson, N. H.

Parents: Gabriel Balian and

October 5, 1944. Dorothy A. George, age 27 years, 1 day at Haverhill, Mass.

Parents: Thomas A. Young and Luretta Chute.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. SAWYER,

Town Clerk.

Another Enemy to Conquer

Here is a home front fight that everyone can get into. Last year in this State 558 brush and forest fires burned over 4,648 acres of land, of which 2,788 acres were valuable timber and young growth. With available manpower the lowest of any year since the war started, you can help to keep this loss down by preventing these fires from starting.

Keep in mind these simple rules:

1. Always get a permit from your forest fire warden before starting any fires in the open. Burning under certain conditions is permitted.
2. Never burn unless you have enough help to control your fire—a permit does not excuse you of negligence in case it gets away.
3. Always report any uncontrolled fire promptly to your forest fire warden. Minutes lost are acres lost.
4. Be especially careful with cigarettes, matches and pipes. Smokers caused most of our fires.
5. Never leave a fire unless it is dead out. You can't feel safe while there is a spark left.

Keep New Hampshire Green